



**BURLINGTON CITY COUNCIL
CONTOIS AUDITORIUM, 149 CHURCH STREET, 2ND FLOOR
MINUTES OF MEETING
August 24, 2026**

1. Agenda

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City Council President Traverse convened the meeting at 6:08 pm.

Members present: City Council President Traverse, Councilors Barlow, Carpenter, Grant, Litwin, McKnight, Sanchez-Parkinson, Schachter and Singh (all in person): Councilor Broderick (online)

Members absent: Councilors Bergman and Neubieser

Others present: Mayor Mulvaney-Stanak, Deputy COS Zakaras, City Attorney Brown and Lori Olberg

Subject	1.1. Motion to amend/adopt agenda
Meeting	August 24, 2026 - City Council Meeting - Monday, August 24, 2026, 6:00 PM, Contois Auditorium, 149 Church Street, 2nd Floor
Category	1. Agenda
Department	Council and Board
Type	Action Procedural

Recommended Action Motion to amend/adopt agenda

1.1. Motion to amend/adopt agenda

Motion made by Councilor Singh, seconded by Councilor McKnight, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Executive Session (20 mins.)

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City Attorney Brown spoke to this agenda item.

Subject	2.1. EXECUTIVE SESSION regarding security at City Hall and related legal advice
Meeting	August 24, 2026 - City Council Meeting - Monday, August 24, 2026, 6:00 PM, Contois Auditorium, 149 Church Street, 2nd Floor
Category	2. Executive Session (20 mins.)
Department	City Attorney

Type	Action Procedural
Recommended Action	Motion 1: Move that the Council find that premature general public knowledge of information regarding security at City Hall and related legal advice would clearly place the City at a substantial disadvantage; Motion 2: Based upon that finding, move that the Council go into executive session to receive confidential attorney-client privileged information regarding, and to discuss, security at City Hall, pursuant to and receive confidential attorney-client communications VSA §313(a)(1)(F) and (a)(10), and including representatives from the Mayor's Office, the DFA, Human Resources, CEDO, and the City Attorney's Office.
2.1. EXECUTIVE SESSION regarding security at City Hall and related legal advice Motion 1: Made by Councilor McKnight, seconded by Councilor Schachter. Motion 2: Made by Councilor McKnight, seconded by Councilor Singh. The City Council went into Executive Session at 6:11 pm. The City Council came out of Executive Session at 6:45 pm.	

3. Public Forum: Time Certain: 6:30 pm **See above for signup instructions**

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City Council President Traverse opened Public Forum at 6:45 pm.
City Council President Traverse closed Public Forum at 7:07 pm.

Subject	3.1. Verbal Comments
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Category	3. Public Forum: Time Certain: 6:30 pm **See above for signup instructions**
Department	Council and Board
Type	Action Procedural
Recommended Action	open Public Forum close Public Forum

3.1. Verbal Comments

BTV residents (in person):

Bruce Wilson: Straight Talk Program
Lisa Denatale: General Statement re: Burlington Forward
Pardhasaradhi Namburi: direct democracy
Chris McGrath: Burlington Forward Resolution
Charlie Messing: Burlington Forward/Issues
Faried M.: City Hall Park Food Program

BTV resident (online):

Romeo von Hermann: Team BTV

Non-BTV resident (in person):

Chris Morash: New Proposal

4. Mayor - General City Affairs (10 mins.)

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Subject	4.1. Verbal reports
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Category	4. Mayor - General City Affairs (10 mins.)
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Department	Council and Board
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Type	Information
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4.1. Verbal reports

5. Committee Reports

5. Committee Reports

Subject	5.1. Verbal reports
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Category	5. Committee Reports
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Department	Council and Board
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Type	Information
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5.1. Verbal reports

6. Consent Agenda

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Subject	6.1. Motion to adopt the consent agenda and take the actions indicated
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Category	6. Consent Agenda
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Department	Council and Board
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Type	Action (Consent) Procedural
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Recommended Action	Motion to adopt the consent agenda and take the actions indicated
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6.1. Motion to adopt the consent agenda and take the actions indicated

Motion made by Councilor Litwin, seconded by Councilor Singh, to adopt the consent agenda and take the actions indicated. Motion passed unanimously.

Subject	6.2. Accountability List - C/T
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Category 6. Consent Agenda

Department Department of Finance and Administration

Type Action (Consent)
Communication
Information

Recommended Action waive the reading, accept the communication and place it on file

6.2. Accountability List - C/T

Subject 6.3. Transferring Fund Balance between Special Revenue Bonds — DPW - Traffic Division

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Category 6. Consent Agenda

Department Public Works Department

Type Action (Consent)

Recommended Action to approve and authorize a budget amendment to the Traffic Fund (264) for the purposes described herein and the Director of the Department of Public Works to move \$500,000 from the Traffic Fund (264) into the Parking Facilities Fund (265) to put directly toward paying down the principal of the outstanding RAN; and further authorize the Chief Administrative Officer or designee to make a principal only payment in the amount of \$820,284 towards the RAN in accordance and compliance with the terms and conditions of such note, all subject to the review and approval of the Chief Administrative Officer or designee

6.3. Transferring Fund Balance between Special Revenue Bonds — DPW - Traffic Division

Subject 6.4. Five-Year Authorization to Extend Fines for Food Program — DPW - Traffic Division

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Category 6. Consent Agenda

Department Public Works Department

Type Action (Consent)

Recommended Action to authorize the Director of the Department of Public Works to make a charitable donation to Feeding Champlain Valley in an amount equal to one-half of revenues received from delinquent parking ticket during the period of December 1 through December 31, for the years 2026 through 2030

6.4. Five-Year Authorization to Extend Fines for Food Program — DPW - Traffic Division

Subject	6.5. Request for approval to sign a utility easement with Green Mountain Power - Airport
Meeting	August 24, 2026 - City Council Meeting - Monday, August 24, 2026, 6:00 PM, Contois Auditorium, 149 Church Street, 2nd Floor
Category	6. Consent Agenda
Department	Patrick Leahy Burlington International Airport
Type	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action	to grant an electrical utility easement to Green Mountain Power upon the identified Easement Area on Eagle Drive in South Burlington, Vermont, and in furtherance, authorize the Mayor of Burlington to execute an easement deed, and any related documents necessary or convenient to effect the easement, subject to final review and approval as to form by the City Attorney's Office

6.5. Request for approval to sign a utility easement with Green Mountain Power - Airport

Subject	6.6. Lease of Childcare Space at the Robert Miller Community Center - BPRW
Meeting	August 24, 2026 - City Council Meeting - Monday, August 24, 2026, 6:00 PM, Contois Auditorium, 149 Church Street, 2nd Floor
Category	6. Consent Agenda
Department	Parks, Recreation, & Waterfront
Type	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action	to approve and recommend that the City Council approve and authorize the execution of a five year lease agreement, with the City's option to renew for five (5) additional, one (1) year terms, with The Greater Burlington YMCA, to perform Childcare services at the Robert Miller Community & Recreation Center, such specific portion of the building to be leased as further described in Attachment A and to authorize Mayor Emma Mulvaney-Stanak, to execute the lease and any related documents necessary or convenient to completing the transaction, subject to the review and approval as to form of the City Attorney's Office

6.6. Lease of Childcare Space at the Robert Miller Community Center - BPRW

Subject	6.7. August 3, 2026 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes - C/T
Meeting	August 24, 2026 - City Council Meeting - Monday, August 24, 2026, 6:00 PM, Contois Auditorium, 149 Church Street, 2nd Floor
Category	6. Consent Agenda
Department	Department of Finance and Administration

Type Action (Consent)
Information
Minutes

Recommended Action approve the minutes

6.7. August 3, 2026 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes - C/T

Subject 6.8. August 3, 2026 Board of Civil Authority Meeting Minutes - C/T

Meeting August 24, 2026 - City Council Meeting - Monday, August 24, 2026, 6:00 PM,
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Category 6. Consent Agenda

Department Department of Finance and Administration

Type Action (Consent)
Information
Minutes

Recommended Action approve the minutes

6.8. August 3, 2026 Board of Civil Authority Meeting Minutes - C/T

Subject 6.9. August 3, 2026 Local Control Commission Meeting Minutes - C/T

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Category 6. Consent Agenda

Department Department of Finance and Administration

Type Action (Consent)
Information
Minutes

Recommended Action approve the minutes

6.9. August 3, 2026 Local Control Commission Meeting Minutes - C/T

**Subject 6.10. Notice Under 10. V.S.A. Sec. 6302(d) — Acquisition of Interest in
Real Property, Auer Family Boathouse Property, 3181 North Avenue,
Burlington, Vermont - WVPD**

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Category 6. Consent Agenda

Department Council and Board

Type Action (Consent)
 Communication
 Information

Recommended Action waive the reading, accept the communication and place it on file

6.10. Notice Under 10. V.S.A. Sec. 6302(d) — Acquisition of Interest in Real Property, Auer Family
Boathouse Property, 3181 North Avenue, Burlington, Vermont - WVPD

Subject 6.11. Communication: Elise Pecor, re: Burlington Forward resolution

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Department Department of Finance and Administration

Type Action (Consent)
 Communication

Recommended Action waive the reading and place the communication on file

6.11. Communication: Elise Pecor, re: Burlington Forward resolution

**Subject 6.12. Communication: Dylan Shelby, re: Comments on the Burlington
 Forward**

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Category 6. Consent Agenda

Department Department of Finance and Administration

Type Action (Consent)
 Communication

Recommended Action waive the reading and place the communication on file

6.12. Communication: Dylan Shelby, re: Comments on the Burlington Forward

Subject 6.13. 2026 RunVermont Sponsor Report

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Category 6. Consent Agenda

Department Department of Finance and Administration

Type Action (Consent)
 Information

Report

Recommended Action waive the reading, accept the report and place it on file

6.13. 2026 RunVermont Sponsor Report

Subject **6.14. Creation of two new positions within the CJC**

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Category 6. Consent Agenda

Department Community Justice Center

Type Action (Consent)

Recommended Action to approve the creation of a Communications, Volunteer and Operations Specialist within CEDO, a Regular Service, Full-time, Union, Grade 13, position, as well as the creation of a Parallel Justice Program Specialist, a Limited Service, Full-time, Union, Grade 16 position

6.14. Creation of two new positions within the CJC

Subject **6.15. Communication: Burlington Street Culture Coalition & Concerned Citizens, re: Modernizing Ordinances to Revitalize Public Art and Busking**

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Department Department of Finance and Administration

Type Action (Consent)
Communication

Recommended Action waive the reading and place the communication on file

6.15. Communication: Burlington Street Culture Coalition & Concerned Citizens, re: Modernizing Ordinances to Revitalize Public Art and Busking

Subject **6.16. Resolution: Designation Of Ward Four Polling Place (Councilors Barlow and Carpenter)**

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Category 6. Consent Agenda

Department Department of Finance and Administration

Type Action (Consent)
Resolution

Recommended Action waive the reading and adopt the resolution

6.16. Resolution: Designation Of Ward Four Polling Place (Councilors Barlow and Carpenter)

Subject 6.17. Resolution: Approving The Pledging Of The Credit Of The City In Anticipation Of The Receipt Of Revenue From The Traffic Division Of The Public Works Department (Board of Finance)

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Category 6. Consent Agenda

Department Department of Finance and Administration

Type Action (Consent)
Resolution

Recommended Action to waive the reading and to adopt the proposed resolution approving the renewal of an existing revenue anticipation note for the Parking Facilities Fund, in an amount not to exceed \$2.5 Million and with an interest rate not to exceed 7.5%

6.17. Resolution: Approving The Pledging Of The Credit Of The City In Anticipation Of The Receipt Of Revenue From The Traffic Division Of The Public Works Department (Board of Finance)

7. Deliberative Agenda

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Subject 7.1. Special Event Outdoor Entertainment Permit Application (three days only): SEABA, South End Arts District, Art Hop, September 11th - 13th, 2026, various hours

Meeting August 24, 2026 - City Council Meeting - Monday, August 24, 2026, 6:00 PM, Contois Auditorium, 149 Church Street, 2nd Floor

Category 7. Deliberative Agenda

Department Department of Finance and Administration

Type Action

Recommended Action approve the three day only special event outdoor entertainment permit application for SEABA, South End Arts District, Art Hop, September 11th - 13th, 2026, various hours

7.1. Special Event Outdoor Entertainment Permit Application (three days only): SEABA, South End Arts District, Art Hop, September 11th - 13th, 2026, various hours

SEABA Director Christy Mitchell spoke to this agenda item.

Motion made by Councilor Grant, seconded by Councilor Litwin, to approve the motion as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Subject **7.2. Special Event Outdoor Entertainment Permit Application (one day only): CSM, Opera Block in front of Pascolo Ristorante, September 18th, 5 pm - 8 pm**

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Category 7. Deliberative Agenda

Department Department of Finance and Administration

Type Action

Recommended Action approve the one day only special event outdoor entertainment permit application for CSM, Opera Block in front of Pascolo Ristorante, September 18th, 5 pm - 8 pm

7.2. Special Event Outdoor Entertainment Permit Application (one day only): CSM, Opera Block in front of Pascolo Ristorante, September 18th, 5 pm - 8 pm
Motion made by Councilor Grant, seconded by Councilor Litwin, to approve the motion as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Subject **7.3. Resolution: Request For Immediate & Short-Term State Action To Alleviate & Mitigate The Serious State & Federal Issues Of Houselessness, Mental Illness, Substance Use Disorder, & Criminal Activity Negatively Affecting Burlington And The Rest Of Vermont (Councilors Bergman, Schachter, Sanchez-Parkinson, Traverse, Grant, Litwin, Broderick, Singh, Neubieser, Carpenter, Barlow)(25 mins.)**

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Category 7. Deliberative Agenda

Department Mayor's Office

Type Action
Resolution

Recommended Action waive the reading and adopt the resolution

7.3. Resolution: Request For Immediate & Short-Term State Action To Alleviate & Mitigate The Serious State & Federal Issues Of Houselessness, Mental Illness, Substance Use Disorder, & Criminal Activity Negatively Affecting Burlington And The Rest Of Vermont (Councilors Bergman, **Schachter, Sanchez-Parkinson, Traverse, Grant, Litwin, Broderick, Singh, Neubieser, Carpenter, Barlow**)(25 mins.)
Motion made by Councilor Schachter, seconded by Councilor Sanchez-Parkinson, to waive the reading and adopt the resolution. Motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

8. City Council - General City Affairs (to include Climate Emergency Reports & Public Health & Safety Updates: up 5 mins. per Councilor)

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Subject **8.1. Verbal reports**

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Category	8. City Council - General City Affairs (to include Climate Emergency Reports & Public Health & Safety Updates: up 5 mins. per Councilor)
Department	Council and Board
Type	Information

8.1. Verbal reports

9. City Council President - Council Updates (up to 5 mins.)

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Subject	9.1. Verbal reports
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Category	9. City Council President - Council Updates (up to 5 mins.)
Department	Council and Board
Type	Information

9.1. Verbal reports

10. Adjournment

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Subject	10.1. Motion to adjourn
Meeting	August 24, 2026 - City Council Meeting - Monday, August 24, 2026, 6:00 PM, Contois Auditorium, 149 Church Street, 2nd Floor
Category	10. Adjournment
Department	Council and Board
Type	Action Procedural

Recommended Action Motion to adjourn

10.1. Motion to adjourn

City Council President Traverse adjourned the meeting at 8:13 pm.

11. Informational and Non-Discrimination Statements

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Subject	11.1. This agenda is available in alternative formats upon request. For more information on access, call Lori Olberg, Council and Licensing Coordinator (802-865-7136)(TTY 802-865-7142). Persons with disabilities who require assistance or special arrangements to participate are encouraged to contact 802-865-7000 (voice) or 802-865-7142 (TTY) at
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Department	Council and Board
Type	Information

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